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REMARKS

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1. On the evenings between 30 January and 4 February 1952, all quarters of the Infanterie Kaserne on the east side of Friedensstrasse, Zeitz (M 52/K 03), were fully lighted. Gate guards wore red-bordered black epaulets with artillery insignia. About 1,500 troops were seen marching out of the billeting area on 30 January. Intensive training activity was noticed in the billeting area. Soldiers were seen repairing two T-34/85 tanks.

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2. Except for one empty building, all quarters of the Artillerie Kaserne on the west side of Friedensstrasse were fully lighted on the evenings of 30 January through 4 February. Gate guards wore red-bordered black epaulets with tank insignia. Sixty-four tanks were seen leaving the installation toward Cera (M 51/K 06) in the afternoon of 31 January. They returned to the installation from the same direction later that same day. Increased patrol activity around the billeting area after nightfall has been maintained since the beginning of January.

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3. Trucks operated by soldiers with red-bordered black epaulets, were daily seen picking up loaves of bread at the Soviet bakery on In der Aue from 30 January to 4 February. The trucks arrived from and departed in the direction of Cera. *

- * Comment. The information confirms that the barracks installation in Zeitz continues to be occupied as usual.

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